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Applicants:  
Walker et al.

Application No.: 08/822,709

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Entitled: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
PERFORMING LOTTERY TICKET  
TRANSACTIONS UTILIZING POINT-OF-SALE  
TERMINALS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Examiner:

Entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks into the above-identified application are respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please AMEND the specification as indicated below.

L Page 9, line 26, insert - FIG. 13 is a flow chart of an exemplary process by which a customer may purchase one or more lottery tickets instead of receiving change during a merchandise transaction. -;

Page 22, line 12, replace "or" with -- of --;